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Title: GASKET FOR PRE-FILLED SYRINGE AND PRE-FILLED SYRINGE

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicant hereby provides this Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed May 29, 2002. Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 without prejudice and without disclaiming any of the subject matter contained therein. A marked up version of claim 1 is provided in Appendix A to this Amendment.

Please amend claim 1 to read as follows:

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1. (Amended) A gasket for a pre-filled syringe into which liquid is charged, wherein a peripheral side surface of the gasket that is in contact with an inner surface of the syringe barrel is provided with a restriction, and wherein a periphery of a bottom surface of the gasket that is not in contact with the liquid is formed into a tapered slant, the tapered slant being defined by a first diameter of the gasket and a second diameter of the gasket, wherein the first diameter and the second diameter differ by between about 0.5 mm and about 5 mm.